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## World Press Corps Will Cover Kennedy

By JESSIE STEARNS

Washington, D.C. — The large press corps covering President John F. Kennedy on his seventh official visit to a foreign country is made up of many nationalities.

President Kennedy flew to Palm Beach, Fla., for relaxation Fri., March 15. He and his official party leave there Monday morning for San Jose, Costa Rica.

The three-day official visit with presidents of the republics of Costa

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Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama ends March 20.

Fifty-four correspondents fly direct from Washington to San Jose, and another 50 will join the Central American conference there.

Correspondents from Washington are: Frank Cormier, AP; Henry Burroughs, AP-Photos; Merriman Smith and Henry Raymont, UPI; Thomas Craven, Sr. and Jack Schultz, UPI-Movietone; James Ather-ton, UPI-Photos; Jean La Grange, AFP.

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## NEW SLATE FOR 1963

Following is the revised list of candidates nominated by the reconstituted Nominating Committee of the OPC for the 1963 election of officers and members of the board of governors:

President — Barrett McGurn, Bruno Shaw.

Vice-President — Donald G. Coe, Hal Lehrman, Charles Robbins, Lin Root, Harry L. Welker, Jr., Will Yolen.

Secretary — George Hamilton Combs, Allan Jackson, Will Oursler.

Treasurer — Matthew Huttner, Bates Raney, Gregor A. Ziemer.

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## JOHNSTON RESIGNS AS PRESIDENT; YOLEN HAS TEMPORARY COMMAND

(ED. NOTE: The following article was written by George Bookman, William Brooks and John Wilhelm who were appointed by the board of governors to write, prepare and approve all reports for publication concerning board activities and to help determine editorial policy on material bearing on the election campaign.)

Richard J.H. Johnston has resigned as president of the OPC. The board of governors named Will Yolen, first vice-president, to fill the office until election of a new president at the coming Club elections.

Johnston resigned at a meeting of the OPC board March 8, stating as his reason disagreement with "actions taken in the name of the board of governors"

The disagreement to which he referred had been simmering for some time.

## Moroccan King Hassan II Will Visit OPC April 1st

His Majesty Hassan II, King of Morocco, will be guest of honor at an OPC press luncheon, Mon., April 1. In order to accommodate an expected overflow attendance, the luncheon will be held at the Delmonico Hotel, 502 Park Ave.

His Majesty's New York arrival will be celebrated by a ticker-tape parade up Broadway, from which he will proceed directly to the OPC luncheon.

Hassan II ascended the throne of Morocco in February, 1961, and immediately took steps to institute democratic reforms. His address to OPC will be his only scheduled public statement during his U.S. tour.

Tickets are \$6.00 each for members, and each member may bring one guest at the same rate. Other guests are \$10.00 each. Luncheon is planned for 1:00 p.m., and will be preceded by a half-hour reception period.



King Hassan II

The week before Johnston's resignation, the board, over the objections of the president, had reorganized the Nominating Committee which then named a new list of candidates for office, replacing a list previously published. An account of the procedures was published in the *Bulletin* last week.

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## NEWSMEN IN DAMASCUS TO COVER SYRIA REVOLT

The latest revolution in the Middle East saw Syria returning to the UAR fold and mainly Beirut-based U.S. correspondents rushing to cover the reaction in Damascus.

From the Lebanese capital, AP rushed in bureau chief Webb McKinley along with David Lancashire while Alex Efty was brought in from Cyprus. UPI brought in Ray Moloney and photog James Howard from Beirut.

The *New York Times* and *Time Magazine* also went to Beirut to get Dana Adams Schmidt and George de Carvalho respectively down to Damascus.

Meanwhile on the electronics news front NBC caught Arnaldo Lacagnina being transferred from Cairo to Beirut and whipped him to the war front along with Istanbul stringer Ruchan Arikan.

ABC was covered by Movietone and CBS by stringers in the area.



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## Overseas Ticker

**MOSCOW . . . . from JAY AXELBANK**

Moscow's Western correspondents now have their own "old school tie." Even Premier Khrushchev has one. The blue, British-manufactured tie grew out of an idea hatched two years ago at a poker club. Finally, late last year, four British correspondents got busy and John Miller of Reuters ordered them. So far, 48 have been sold, with many correspondents buying more than one. On New Year's Eve Miller handed one to Khrushchev at a reception. The Premier thanked him and put it in his pocket. The tie has gold emblems which consist of a crossed hammer and quill inside an onion-shaped dome.

Among recent visitors: **Eldon Griffiths**, chief European correspondent of Newsweek. . . . John Steele, chief of Time's Washington bureau. . . . correspondents bade goodbye to **Frank Bourgholtzer** who departed from Moscow because of the closedown of the NBC Moscow bureau.

**NAIROBI . . . from HENRY TOLUZZI**

A fast-moving riot story in Mogadishu, Somalia, brought NBC staffer Louis Hepp to this latest East African trouble spot. Somalia is embroiled in a bitter border dispute with neighboring Kenya.

Standing by to move to Mogadishu for any flare-ups is NY Times African correspondent Robert Conley who also makes Nairobi his home base, as well as Time magazine's Nairobi correspondent **Bill Smith**.

George Clay, NBC News correspondent in Nairobi reports that the Kenya side of the argument which may lead to a real beau-geste type shooting war between the two territories. Next on the agenda for the Clay-Hepp team is coverage for NBC News of the forthcoming mammoth African Summit conference scheduled for May in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Back at his home base in Nairobi after extensive coverage of the Sino-Indian border conflict is ABC News' **Charles Arnot**, awaiting reassignment orders from the home office.

**ROME . . . . . from SAM'L STEINMAN**

**Ralph McGill**, Atlanta Constitution, lectured on his recent trip to Africa at the Institute for African Affairs here.

**Robert Hartmann**, L.A. Times, back from his initial trip to Iraq, practically

JOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

**CALENDAR**



**Sun., March 17 - St. Patrick's Day Concert:** *Guests will be soprano Mariana Doro and tenor Edwin Stuart. Reception and cocktails (Irish whiskey by request), 4:00 p.m. Concert 4:30 p.m.*

**Thurs., March 21 - Open House for staffs of N.Y. Interim Papers:** *representatives from the Standard, Metropolitan Daily, Chronicle, Independent Brooklyn Eagle, Brooklyn Daily, others, will be honored at cocktail party, 6:30 p.m. and dinner, 7:30 p.m. (See page 5)*

**Fri., March 22 - Press Conference & Reception for former Pres. Kubitschek of Brazil.** *(Sponsored jointly by OPC and Foreign News Service). Conference, 5:30 p.m. Reception, 6:30 p.m. (Dinner announced earlier is private, by invitation only.) (See page 3)*

**Mon., March 25 - Film Preview:** *"Nine Hours to Rama," to be shown at 20th Century-Fox's screening room, 444 West 56 St., 8:00 p.m. Chairman Kurt Lassen announces that reservations are already filled for this showing. If enough members sign waiting list, another showing will be scheduled.*

**Thurs., March 28 - Reception & Dinner for Sir Ellis Clarke, Ambassador of Trinidad and Tobago to U.S. and UN.** *Reception, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Reservations, please. (See page 6)*

**Fri., March 29 - Literary Bash honoring champion kite-ist Will Yolen's new book, "Young Sportsman's Guide to Kite Flying."** *Music, dancing. Time: 5:00 p.m. "till dawn." Please let desk know if you plan to attend, and how many guests. More details next week. (See page 5)*

**Mon., April 1 - Press Luncheon for his Majesty Hassan II, King of Morocco.** *Time: 1:00 p.m., Delmonico Hotel, 502 Park Ave. (See page 1)*

turned around to make the Syrian revolution.

**Leo D. Hochstetter**, MPEA, hosted a series of American and Italian events in honor of Eric Johnston, MPAA director, in Rome. Hochstetter flanked Spectacle and Tourism Minister Alberto Folchi when he decorated Johnston.

**Lee Balsam**, Hearst Headline Service, has taken up her post here.

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Editor This Week: Marty Gershen

Bulletin Committee Chairman:

Charles E. Campbell, Jr.

Managing Editor: Lucille G. Pierlot





**"FRANK WACHSMITH NIGHT,"** March 7 — Seated (l. to r.) Past-president Bob Considine and Hal Boyle, co-chairmen, flank guest of honor and Mrs. Wachsmith. Standing are past-residents Wayne Richardson, Dick Johnston, John Daly and John Luter.

## Applause & Scroll for OPC Counsel Wachsmith

If OPC counsel Frank Wachsmith should ever take up the writing of an autobiography, he might well include a chapter entitled: My Most Uncomfortable Experience.

And that experience might well be last week's "Frank Wachsmith Dinner" at the OPC.

Eleven years of experience handling

the tangled OPC legal affairs prepare a man for almost anything — except listening to his own eulogy.

But Frank showed remarkable composure, with only a little reddening now and then, as he heard many of the leading OPCers describe him as:

"The guy who has done as much for this Club as any breathing mortal" — (by Bob Considine); "... a born diplomat" — (John Wilhelm); "... the man responsible for the OPC being in this new building" — (Tom Whitney), etc., etc.

And the funny thing about all the accolades was that everyone seems agreed that Frank deserves them all and more.

Of course, by the time the mike reached Frank, he was in condition only to thank everyone and say how happy he is to have the opportunity to work with the Club.

Wachsmith received two special awards: 25 shares of stock in the Marietta Publishing Co. (from 1904) worth approximately one-fifth of a cent (from Jim Sheldon), and a special scroll from OPC past-prexy Dick Johnston.

The scroll read as follows:

"A testimonial for distinguished service presented to Frank C. Wachsmith who, as attorney, has dedicated his great ability and countless hours of his time on behalf of the OPC.

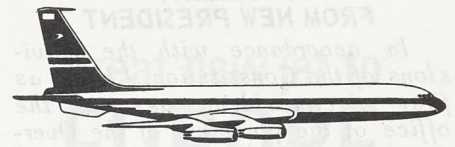
"This token of appreciation can never fully represent the gratitude of the Overseas Press Club for his unselfish devotion."

Of all the words spoken in praise of Frank, probably the most indicative of his efforts on behalf of the OPC came from his wife later in the evening:

"I sometimes think he loves this place more than he loves me."

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## BRAZIL EX-PRESIDENT TO MEET PRESS AT CLUB

Juscelino Kubitschek, former President of Brazil and a contender for the post of UN General Assembly President in the Fall session, will hold a press conference on his own and his country's future in world affairs at the OPC, Fri., March 22, 5:30 p.m.

Kubitschek, who is credited with being one of the architects of the Alliance for Progress, will be in New York as the guest of honor at the Foreign News Service Annual Dinner.

The Brazilian statesman is reported to be a candidate for president of his country, when the term of incumbent President Joao Goulart expires in 1965. Talks are now advanced to name him to the Brazilian delegation to the UN and he has been widely mentioned as a successor to Sir Mohammed Zafrulla Khan as President of the 18th General Assembly, which convenes in September.

Kubitschek will hold the press conference in English. He will make a 20-minute statement on what his aides call "vital" international issues, and will answer questions for the remainder of the hour-long period.

The press conference is being sponsored by the OPC. It will be followed at 6:30 p.m. by a reception jointly sponsored by FNS and the OPC.



### STATEMENT FROM NEW PRESIDENT

*In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, I have, as first vice-president, assumed the office of the president of the Overseas Press Club, following the resignation of Richard J.H. Johnston. The board accepted Mr. Johnston's resignation. It confirmed my new position.*

*It is unfortunate that the president resigned at this critical time in the life of the Club. Neither I nor any members of the board, or officers, sought his resignation.*

*I can assure you that all of us will continue to exercise every effort on behalf of the Club until the new elections bring in the new officers and board. I ask your support and confidence during the next two months.*

Will Yolen, President

### TICKER (Cont'd from page 2)

**Michael Wilson**, Radio Free Europe, has been named to the executive council of Stampa Estera to succeed Michael Weigell, Daily Mail, who is leaving to join news service of Independent Television in London. Weigell, along with Kurt Klinger, Deutscher Agence Presse, and Arnaldo Cortesi, NY Times, all leaving or retiring, will be honored at a Stampa Estera luncheon March 23. Another luncheon was held last week at Grand Hotel in honor of Alexis Adzhubei, editor of Izvestia, and his journalist wife who is the daughter of First Minister Nikita Khrushchev.

Edward d'Amico is new representative here of Motion Picture Daily.

**Kenneth Giniger**, Hawthorn Books president, due here March 17-21 on initial step of prolonged European tour.

Michael Keon, former Australian and American correspondent, now handling PR for FAO's worldwide "Freedom from Hunger" campaign, will represent his organization at World Food Congress in Washington in June. His latest novel, "The Durian Tree," is about to be filmed in Malaya with William Holden.

### NEW SLATE (Cont'd from page 1)

Governors — Norwood F. Allman, Arnold Beichman, Robert G. Black, Lawrence G. Blochman, Whit Burnett, Marguerite Cartwright, Dickey Chapelle, Robert Coughlan, Josef C. Dine, Christopher Emmet, Gerold Frank, Henry Gellermann, James W. Michaels, Merrill Mueller, Madeline D. Ross, David Shefrin, James H. Sheldon, Helen M. Zotos.

All candidates accepted nomination.

Nomination Committee includes: Wayne Rickardson, chairman; Burnet Hershey; Frank Kelley; Irene Kuhn; Louis Lochner; Eugene Lyons; John MacVane.

### BOARD REPORT (Cont'd f. page 1)

At the March 8 meeting, the incident that triggered the president's resignation was a dispute over the agenda for the meeting.

After a majority of the board had voted for the change in the agenda, Johnston produced a statement of resignation, but this did not succeed.

Following is Johnston's letter:  
*To the board of governors and the membership of the Overseas Press Club of America.*

*I have reached the firm conclusion that under circumstances created by actions taken in the name of the board of governors, which I deem inconsistent with the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Overseas Press Club, and in which judgement qualified legal counsel has concurred, it is no longer possible for me to exercise the responsibilities of the presidency of the Overseas Press Club of America, as they are defined in appropriate sections of the Constitution and the By-Laws of the Overseas Press Club.*

*Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation as president of the Overseas Press Club of America, and at the same time convey my sincere expressions of appreciation to those members of the Overseas Press Club and its staff, who have labored, and I trust will continue to labor, in its behalf.*

Respectfully

Richard J.H. Johnston

As his last action while still president, Johnston named a chairman of the Elections Committee, but his choice was revoked by the board. The board named **Fred Kerner** as chairman of the Elections Committee.

The board made it clear by its actions at the March 8 meeting, and at the previous meeting to reorganize the Nominating Committee, that it was acting under sections of the Club's Constitution, declaring the board to be the Club's supreme governing body. The new slate of nominees for Club office came about as a result of action by the board under this interpretation of the Constitution. When the Nominating Committee was reorganized, a number of candidates previously named were replaced. Instead, the new nominations, including that of **Barrett McGurn**, New York Herald Tribune, in place of Johnston, to run against **Bruno Shaw**, AP, for president, were made.

The Bulletin Committee asked for the naming of representatives from the board of governors to help determine editorial policy on material bearing on the election campaign submitted for publication. The request was amended by secretary **Spencer Valmy** to include publication of material concerning the

### CANDIDACY PETITIONS

*Members are reminded that if they wish to nominate anyone for office in the forthcoming election, petitions must be in the hands of the secretary of the Club — or postmarked — no later than Noon on Tues., March 26.*

*Such petitions must bear no less than 40 signatures of Active members in good standing. The nominees so proposed must give consent in writing, addressed to the secretary, within five days after the petition has been filed.*

Fred Kerner, chairman  
Judges of the Election

board. Named were **George Bookman**, **William Brooks** and **John Wilhelm** who will serve for a period up to three weeks after the election.

The Bulletin Committee chairman also presented a statement of operating principles of the Bulletin Committee which provides each Issue Editor with the resignation of the whole committee in the event of undue pressure to obtain publication of material. The statement was accepted by the board and included in the minutes.

An inquiry was made on the progress of plans for the Annual Awards Dinner. A special meeting of the board with Dinner, Awards and Dateline Committee chairmen was set for Wed., March 13, to discuss these.

**Kathleen McLaughlin** asked for guidance of the Admissions Committee on changing categories of membership and up-dating the application form containing requirements. Three transfers from associate to active membership were approved.

**Victor Riesel** reported on the progress of his Freedom of the Press Committee regarding the Mulholland-Foster case in London. The two newspapermen, according to reports, made a final appeal against imprisonment for refusing to give confidential sources of information.

The board also heard a report from the Bulletin Committee chairman on progress made on a campaign to enlist additional advertising in the Club publication. The expenditure of up to \$100 was authorized for the preparation of a folder aimed at potential advertisers.

The treasurer's report and action taken on the appointment of trustees for the Overseas Press Club Foundation will be reported in next week's issue.

### OVERSEAS MEMBERS — REMINDER

*In order for your vote in the Club election to be valid, dues must be paid up which qualifies you as a member in good standing.*



## New York Interim Papers To Be Honored March 21

The *New York Standard* and other interim papers which helped to "fill the gap" during the strike, will be honored at a special OPC Open House Thursday evening, March 21.

All members of the news, editorial and business staffs are invited for a "dutch treat" cocktail party at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. If publication of the morning papers has been resumed, a buffet will be available for late arrivers.

As this *Bulletin* issue appears, the *Standard* will have published its 61st edition. It has employed 200 reporters whose jobs were interrupted by the strike, and has printed two million lines of advertising. Its advertising pages carried a continuous announcement of the availability of OPCers for interim employment, leading to 30 jobs for our members.

Besides the *Standard*, representatives of the *Brooklyn Eagle*, *Metropolitan Daily*, *Chronicle*, *Independent*, *Brooklyn Daily* and other papers which helped to "fill in," will be invited.

Greg MacGregor and members of his special committee to help find employment for stranded OPCers will be special guests.

## Yolen's 'Kite' Bash Is Set for March 29

Kites will fly in the Clubhouse on Friday evening, March 29, with young sportmen and members united in marking the issuance of "Young Sportsman's Guide to Kite Flying," by Will Yolen, OPC president.

The event is sponsored by a special OPC group mysteriously known as the Committee for the Advancement of Kite Flying as a "Non-Body-Contact Sport." Music will be furnished by the "Strict Temperance String Band," headed by Ralph Lee Smith, with Robert Hunter, Marie d'Amato, Eric Nagler, and a dulcimer.

The serious business of the day starts early — 5:00 p.m. — and ends when the bar closes. A very informal dinner will be served about 7:30 p.m.

Yolen, president of the International Kite Fliers Association, promises to give a demonstration of indoor kite flying before sundown. Souvenir kites will be provided for all comers.

This affair, originally scheduled for February, was postponed when the guest of honor suffered a slight auto injury — but he assures one and all that kite flying is a safe sport, particularly in the Spring.

## KENNEDY (Cont'd. from page 1)

Also, Laurence Burd, *Chicago Tribune*; Leonard Andrews, *NY Standard*; Ralph Champion, *London Daily Mail*; Mike O'Neill, *NY Daily News*; Donald Irwin, *NY Herald Tribune*; Dan Kurzman, *Washington Post*; Peter Lisagor, *Chicago Daily News*; Ross Mark, *London Daily Express*; James Mathis, *Newhouse Newspapers*; Marianne Means, *Hearst Newspapers*; Alan Otten, *Wall Street Journal*; Thomas Ross, *Chicago Sun-Times*; Robert Roth, *Philadelphia Bulletin*; Vincent Ryder, *London Daily Telegraph*; R. H. Shackford, *Scripps-Howard*; Tad Szulc, *NY Times*; Thomas Yarbrough, *St. Louis Dispatch*.

For Radio/TV/film: William Costello, MBS; Sid Davis, WBC; George Gerlach, Telenews; George Herman and Bruce Hoertel, CBS; E. Kimura, Japan Broadcasting Co.; Thilo Koch, North & West German Radio & TV; Bill Lawrence, ABC; Ray Scherer, NBC; Ronald Weston, Telenews. For USIA: Lafe Allen, Fred Gutman, Jack Lartz, Robert Rose, and VOA's Antonio Jiminez and James Yankauer.

Also on the press plane: Thomas Flaherty, *Life*; Joseph Scherschel, *Life-Photos*; Jerry Hannifin and Hugh Sidey, *Time*; John Sutherland, *US News & World Report*; Francisco Aguirre, *Diario de Las Americas*; Robert Rhodes, *Newsday*; Cecil Stoughton, *Army-Photos*; Robert Knudsen, *Navy-Photos*; Cleveland Ryan, *Lighting Technician*; Carroll Linkins, Western Union; William Merriam, ITT; and Thomas Barnes, ITT-ACR.

Joining the press group in Costa Rica, coming from NYC, Mexico City and other bases, will be: Tom Cottrell, Arnold Fehse, *Richard Massock*, Joseph McGowan, *Morris Rosenberg*, and Robert Tieken, all of AP; Harvey Georges, AP-Photos; Phil Newsom, UPI; James Bishop, *London Times*; *Nicholas Chate-lain*, *Le Figaro*; Lloyd Hackler, *Laredo Times*; Hal Hendrix, *Miami News*; *Dan James*, *Hearst Headline Service*; Charles Keely, Copley Press; Dave Kraslow, *Knight Newspapers*; *Paul Kennedy*, *NY Times*; Nathan Miller, *Baltimore Sun*; *George Natanson*, *L.A. Times*; George Sherman, *Washington Star*; Milan Kubic, *Newsweek*; Carl Migdail, *US News & World Report*; and Louis Wiznitzer, *Diarios de Notecian*.

For the networks; Paul Greenberg, ABC; Richard Hottelet, Al Grez, Marvin Kalb, *Charles Kuralt*, *Ralph Paskman*, *Herbert Schwartz*, *Robert Vitarelli*, *Andrew Willoner*, *Seymour Wolen* and *Robert Wussler*, all of CBS; *Jerry Jacobs*, *Maurice Levy*, *Wilson Hall*, *Calvin Marlin*, *Ray Marsh*, *Joseph Nash*, *Horace Risser*, *Charles Sieg*, *Russ Tornabene*, *Edward Scott*, *Dick Valeriani* and *Larkin Webb*, all of NBC; and *Michael Texier*, *French Broadcasting Co.*

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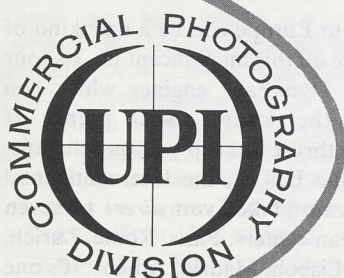
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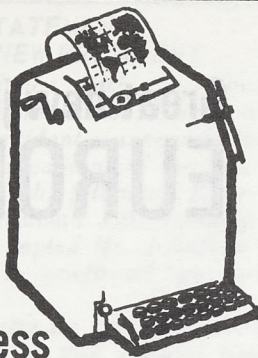
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The home of the calypso is a land of many facets, members will learn March 28 when the Caribbean's newest nation visits OPC in the person of Sir Ellis Clarke, Kt., C.M.G., Ambassador from Trinidad and Tobago to both Washington and the UN.

A lawyer by profession, Sir Ellis has served as Chief Justice and acted as Governor when Trinidad was a British territory. He sees his country as an intermediary in world affairs in two important respects. Despite its diversified population, Trinidad is far more integrated into Western culture and thought than most similar nations. Nearly half of its people are Asiatics by origin, making it the one country where East and West already have had to understand each other and cooperate as equals, and to form an economic, social and political unity. The evening will be sponsored by the Inter-American Affairs Committee. Issues to be discussed, however, concern not only the Hemisphere, but the world.

Special Job Committee  
Assists N.Y. Newsmen

Thirty-two job placements resulted from the three weeks of operations of the OPC Emergency Job Committee.

The committee was created under the direction of past-president *Richard J.H. Johnston* early in February when the strike appeared lengthy.

Newspaperwomen and the wives of newspapermen manned phones voluntarily during the emergency period and blanketed the Metropolitan area with notices of the unusual availability of special talents. Their enthusiasm cleared at least some of the gloom of the austerity period.

A beehive of activity, Room 41 became the temporary social center of the Club for the strike-bound. Placements were not limited to Club members. As World Press Center, the OPC placed newspaper workers from all of the struck papers.

Following is a letter sent to the *Bulletin* by the committee:

"Dear Dick:

"On behalf of the Emergency Job Committee, we want to express our deep gratitude for the cooperation that made our set-up possible. Without your willing and splendid help and the help of the OPC staff, we would not have been able to function.

Thanks for the memory."

The letter was signed by chairman *Greg MacGregor*, *Helen Handler*, *Edith Asbury*, *Ruth Adler*, *Nan Robertson*, and *Nora MacGregor*.

## PEOPLE &amp; PLACES

TRAVELING: Hawthorn Books, Inc., pres. **K.S. Giniger** departed NYC March 15 for semi-annual trip to confer with publishers, authors in UK and Europe. . . . **Norbert Mühlen** back in NYC after material-gathering trip to Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. . . . **Seth King**, NY Times, former London correspondent, in town on home leave — then to Singapore to open new Times bureau. . . .

Tokyo-based **Al Axelbank** recently spent a few weeks in the thick of frontline helicopter and operational units in Viet-Nam getting material for articles.

BOOKS: "In The Time Of Harvest," just published by Macmillan, **Harold Manson** represented by his "Abba Hillel Silver — An Appreciation."

ARTICLES: New U.S. permanent trade centers in London, Frankfurt, Bangkok and Tokyo is subject of article bylined by **H. Eugene Dickhuth** in April Sales Management Today. . . . "Walk Into the 16th Century" is article on San Juan's restored Cristo Street by **William Laas** in April Ford Times.

RADIO-TV: Switzerland-based author **Robert St. John** is now providing daily broadcasts for 100 U.S. radio stations sponsored by World Book Encyclopedia; also heard sporadically on WNEW.

NEW POSTS: Former Newsweek staffer **Clayton Willis** named news director-announcer for WEER Radio, Warrenton, Va; his article "Haiti Outlook Is Bleak" in *Albuquerque Review*, reprinted in Congressional Record at request of Congressman **Jos. M. Montoya**. (D.—N.M.)

MOVING: March 25 marks transition day when **Milburn McCarty Associates** relocate in new headquarters offices in the just-opened Pam Am Building, world's largest commercial office building.

*Al Peterson*

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS  
ACTIVE

**ROBERT MYERS** — The Associated Press, Honolulu. Proposed by *Jack Schreiber*; seconded by *Wayne Richardson*.

## ASSOCIATE

**VINCENTE JULIANO BONNARD** — A Noticia, Rio de Janeiro. Proposed by *Joseph A. Jones*; seconded by *John Luter*.

**FREDERICK EICHELBAUM** — Fairchild Publications, Inc., New York. Proposed by *Jerome S. Kriska*; seconded by *Stephen S. Marks*.

**KENNETH K. GOLDSTEIN** — United Press International, Movietone Bureau, New York. Proposed by *Ralph Salazar*; seconded by *Carmen Campbell*.

\* \* \*

The admissions Committee announces the transfer from associate to active status of the following members:

**Martin Abramson** — Free-lance, New York.

**Arturo F. Gonzalez, Jr.** — Free-lance, Hong Kong.



## PLACEMENT



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## Robert Neville Names Rome Round-Up Committee

Robert Neville, chairman of the OPC Charter round-up in Rome has announced his committee for the event: *Leo D. Hochstetter*, MPEA; *Irving R. Levine*, NBC; and *John D. Law*, *US News & World Report*. These members will assist him in implementing arrangements for the OPC reception at the new Cavalieri Hilton Hotel on May 18. Rome-based. OPCers and a special list of distinguished officials and journalists will be included in the event which takes place less than one month after Italian elections on April 28. OPC past-president *Bob Considine*, though not on the Charter, plans to attend the party.

BOAC is making a special flight bag for the 1963 Charter trip. The Flight Committee reviewed six models and chose one of the navy blue with white trim, that should please each member with its style and convenience. The bags will be mailed late in April; flight tickets and instructions will be sent the first of May. Rome hotel reservations should be made at once.

For plane reservations, send \$295 (each) made out to OPC Charter Travel. The BOAC Boeing Jet leaves Idlewild for Rome, Fri., May 17, and returns from London to New York, Sun., June 16.

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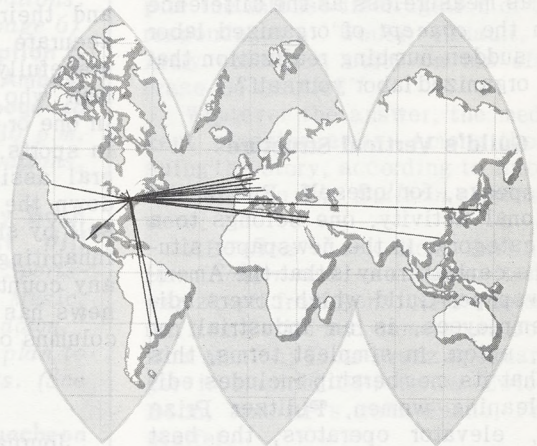
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# How Do Labor Problems Strike the N. Y. Guild Reporter ?

(ED. NOTE: The following excerpts are taken from Milton Bracker's article "The Dilemma of a Guild Reporter" which appeared recently in *The Reporter*. We are indebted to the author and the magazine for these comments.)

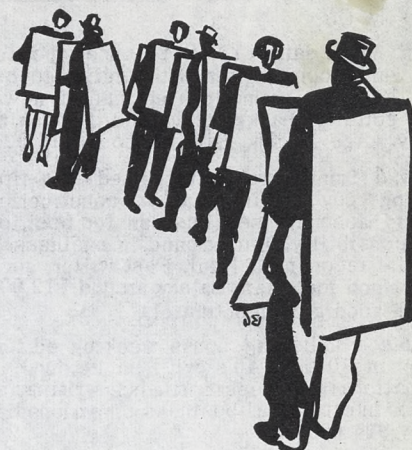
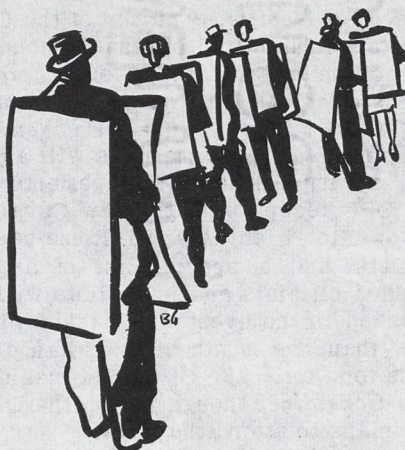
By MILTON BRACKER

Like all crises, the printers' strike that deprived eight million New Yorkers of their newspapers since December 8 has posed painful questions for those only indirectly involved. If you are a member of a union not on strike, but supporting the strike, these questions begin with the basic: "What do I do for money?" But they range swiftly to a complex series of intellectual, professional, and moral issues.

A strike is by definition a collective act. Yet, paradoxically, it becomes an intensely personal thing. No two individuals react exactly alike to it. It affects the tone of voices, the shrillness of laughter, the tranquility of a home. It becomes entwined with the food or drink you order in a restaurant, the number of hours you sleep or don't sleep at night. And inevitably, as the strike — as a sociological phenomenon — drags on, the personal aspect of it tends to sharpen. Men and women think not in terms of a "labor dispute," of mediation, union benefits, improved contracts. They think back to origins and motivations. How and why did they become involved in the strike in the first place? And would they alter their present degree of involvement if they could? Putting it another way, what is as measureless as the difference between the *concept* of organized labor and the sudden numbing realization that you are organized labor yourself?

## Guild's Vertical Structure

One speaks, for oneself. But in any professional activity, one belongs to a certain category. In the newspaper situation, the central irony is that the American Newspaper Guild which covers editorial employees, is an industrial, or vertical, union. In simplest terms, this means that its membership includes editors, cleaning women, Pulitzer Prize winners, elevator operators, the best local reporters and press photographers in the business, and waitresses. To be even more specific, the strike-bound New York local includes one internationally famous correspondent whose dispatches from Algeria once drew a note of compliment and inquiry from Senator John F. Kennedy; an editorial writer who for twenty years was considered the top labor reporter in the country; a man honored for his coverage in depth of the nation's aerospace program; the



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editor of an influential travel supplement; a specialist in religion just back from the Ecumenical Council in Rome; and a leading science writer, whose recent series from Moscow on Soviet research developments gave him the opportunity to acquire the fur cap he did not expect to be wearing at a city-wide Guild meeting soon after his return to non-work. . .

I would like (indeed, I am irresistibly impelled) to address myself to the dilemma of the Guild reporter in the top category. I mean men who have long experience both at home and abroad. I mean *writing* reporters whose bylines have come to assure both their employers and their readers that what follows is accurate, complete, well organized, and gracefully styled. I mean men and women who are experts in public affairs, in one or more of the arts, in science, or in sports. And I mean the so-called general assignment reporter, the one who, down the years, has distinguished himself by sheer versatility; by a talent for inhabiting a difficult news situation in any country and staying with it until its news has been drained securely into the columns of his newspaper. . .

## Little in Common

Journalists like these have the greatest personal respect, and often affection, for members of the Guild in commercial and housekeeping jobs. But both groups recognize that intellectually and professionally they have little in common. If this be professional snobbery, let it. It exists in the very nature of a vertical union, in an enterprise with responsibilities as unevenly distributed as in a newspaper. . .

To the highest category of writing reporter, the news he covers and the

quality of his finished story are the very essence of his ego; indeed, of his very life. He loves his work. But he is not falsely sentimental about it. He regards the contents of the published newspaper, and his share in it, as not only precious but vital. For he knows the importance of an informed public at a time of international crisis — which means always.

But the great majority of the members of his union have relatively little interest in the published newspaper. The skill of the "lead," or opening paragraph, of the story of a Presidential press conference; the craftsmanship with which a correspondent shows up a politician by working in touches of behavior and background or exact quotes, may mean nothing to them. The non-editorial Guild members, to one degree or another, want to be informed citizens. But they have no intimate involvement, either of the intellect or the creative self, in the production of the newspaper or in its substance. . .

## Majority Membership

The background, experience, and sense of responsibility of the writing journalist tell him to view every situation objectively, to report it factually, to let the chips fall. In the present situation, having joined a union voluntarily, he cannot resign. But he is gravely examining his whole relationship to his job, his union, the labor movement, and the national economy. Because he sees clearly that the newspaper labor structure with nine separate craft unions plus the Guild, is such that the situation may recur in 1964, and then in 1966, and then . . . Even if it takes maturity to recognize that labor is not *always* right and management is not *always* wrong, the greenest cub can still spell inflation. . .